

## PARK OF THE YEAR!

Beginning in April 2005 The Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs (DPRCA) in partnership with PARC, a committee initiated by Park Pride and dedicated to involving the community in enhancing the quality of life through the protection and improvement of parks and greenspace selected 1 park out of many to be the **PARK OF THE MONTH**. Parks were nominated and then selected on their overall appearance, maintenance and landscaping. On December 10, 2005 at an official ceremony the 1st ever **PARK OF THE YEAR** was announced.

### The Park of the Year for 2005 is... Bessie Branham Park!



Bessie Branham Park was acquired by the City of Atlanta in 1924. This 6.58 acre park is located in Historic Kirkwood neighborhood of East Atlanta. Bessie Branham is truly a community park that boasts a newly renovated recreation center, beautiful green baseball/softball fields, 2 tennis courts, a basketball court and playgrounds. In addition to these wonderful amenities Bessie Branham Park offers a unique Urban Tree House with deck seating that overlooks the entire park. We encourage you to bring a blanket or take a stroll through this remarkable park and see exactly why it was selected **PARK OF THE YEAR!**



Commissioner Dianne Harnell Cohen, Park Pride Executive Director George Dusenbury and Office of Parks District Operations Manager Eddie Clark congratulates members of the South East Parks Crew for their hard work and dedication to providing the best in parks!